

Filed for intro on 06/04/2001

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 528
By Bone

A RESOLUTION To commend Wilson Central High School upon
its opening on August 13, 2001.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those schools and educators who, through their unflagging commitment to excellence, strive to create an educational environment in which the youth of this state can thrive; and

WHEREAS, On August 13, 2001, Wilson County's newest high school, Wilson Central High School, a \$25 million capital project, will open; and

WHEREAS, Located at Central Pike and I-840, Wilson Central High School's opening is the result of the dedication and determination of Jim Duncan, Ed.D, Director of Schools, and the members of the Wilson County Board of Education: Don Franklin, Chairman; Ron Britt, Vice Chairman; Wayne McNeese, Sonja Robinson, Larry Tomlinson, and James Whittington (1999); and

WHEREAS, A plaque in the front entrance of the school recognizes those individuals germane to the school's development: Wilson County Commissioners Bernie Ash, Ross Averitt,

HJR0528

00812531

Wayne Drennan, Vicki Fitzpatrick, Danny Gass, Gilbert Graves, Randy Hall, Bob Haley, Kathy Haskins, Ralph Ince, Robert Lannom, Steve Maloan, Wendell Marlowe, W. J. (Mack) McClusky, Bill Patton, Arah Preston, Bob Reed, Billy Rowland, Bobby Sloan, Annette Stafford, David (Billy) Swindell, Carolyn Thompson, Rusty Thompson, Randy Vanatta and John Woodroof; and

WHEREAS, The following persons and entities have also been instrumental in the foundation of Wilson Central High School: County Executive Robert Dedman; 1999 Superintendent James Francis; 2000 Interim Director of Schools Patricia Climer; the developer: Educational Facilities Services; Kaatz, Binkley, Jones, and Morris Architects, Inc.; and Construction Manager Steed Brothers Contractors, LLP; and

WHEREAS, An Act of Tennessee in 1806, under which academies were established, marked the beginning of higher education in Tennessee; Campbell Academy was the official academy for Wilson County and its first high school; and

WHEREAS, Of the current public four-year high schools in Wilson County, Lebanon High School opened as a four-year school in 1918; its first graduating class was in 1919. Watertown High School opened in 1911; its first graduating class was in 1912. Mt. Juliet High School, formerly Oakland Academy, opened as a four-year school in 1854; and

WHEREAS, With its opening on August 13, 2001, Wilson Central High School, home of the Wilson Central Wildcats, will become the first four-year public high school established in Wilson County since 1918; its first graduating class will be commemorated in the spring of 2002; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we recognize the opening of Wilson Central High School as a momentous occasion in the history of the Wilson County Schools and commend all of those involved who dedicated themselves to ensuring the successful development of Wilson Central High School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.